



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Jeff Kirsner

Kenneth W. Pober

Robert W. Pike

Serial No.: 10/761,552

Filed: January 21, 2004

For: Blends of Esters With Isomerized  
Olefins and Other Hydrocarbons  
As Base Oils For Invert Emulsion  
Oil Muds

Examiner: Timothy J. Kugel

Art Unit: 1712

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL  
OFFICE ACTION MAILED MAY 31, 2006**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on May 31, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as indicated below.

- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper; and
- **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.

No fee is believed due for this amendment but a three-month extension of time is believed needed for this response. The Commissioner is requested to grant the needed extension of time and a check for the fee for same is enclosed. If the check is not found or is insufficient, the Commissioner is requested to charge undersigned's deposit account no. 50-0807 for the fee. The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any other fee that may be due for this

application (except the issue fee), to undersigned's deposit account, 50-0807. Please amend the application as indicated below.